



# District Courts

**FY 2025 Budget Hearing Presentation**

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## Chief Justice



The majority of the judiciary in Oklahoma is composed of Judges of the **District Court**. Often these Judges serve as the first contact a party may have with the judicial system. District Court Judges hear both civil and criminal matters, and they are the backbone of the judiciary. Appeals from the District Courts in civil matters are considered by the Oklahoma Supreme Court. Appeals in criminal matters from the District Courts are considered by the Oklahoma Court of Criminal Appeals.

Nine Presiding Judges are elected by their peers to assist in the administration of Oklahoma's trial courts. These judges, representing separate geographic areas, meet monthly with members of the Supreme Court and Court of Criminal Appeals to discuss the administration of justice and any developments affecting Oklahoma's judiciary. These meetings provide an effective forum for exchanging information by and between the trial judges and appellate judges.

# Historic Actual Expenditures (FY 2019-23) and Current Year Budget (FY 2024)

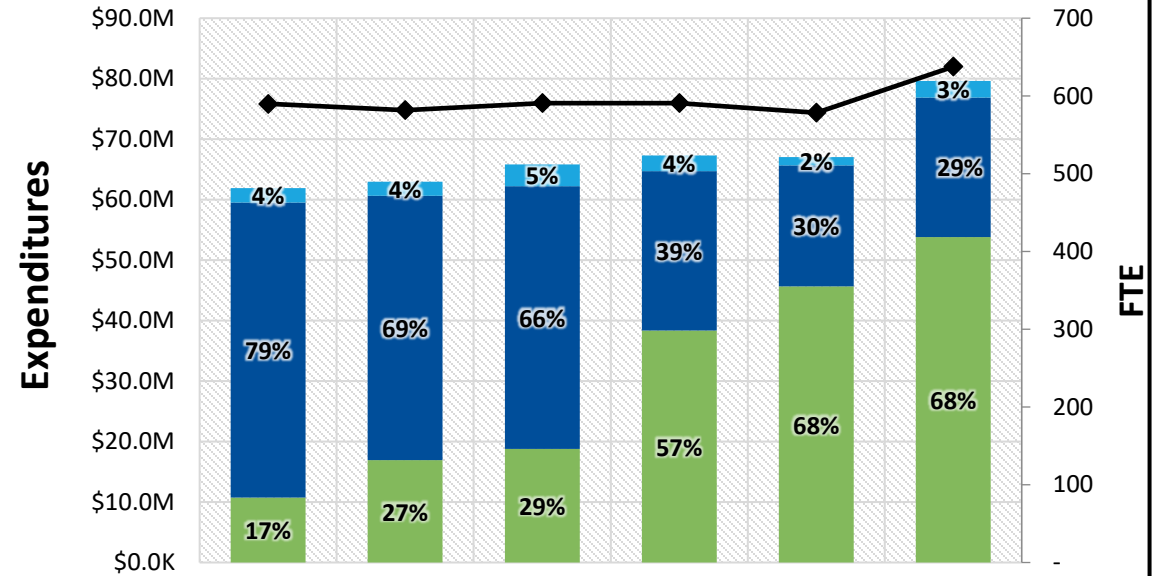
## Explanation of Significant Changes and Trends

As State Judicial Fund collections have continued to decrease, the amount of appropriated dollars has increased.

The FY23 budget increased due to the legislature providing funds to cover new salaries for judges, court reporters and bailiffs.

The FY24 budget increased due to legislative changes which include financial incentives for Court Reporters, new judicial and staff positions in two counties, judicial training, and juror fee increases.

### Historic Actual Expenditures and Current Year Budget



	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023	FY 2024 Budget
Appropriated	\$16.9M	\$18.8M	\$38.4M	\$45.7M	\$52.2M	\$56.4M
Revolving	\$2.4M	\$3.6M	\$2.6M	\$1.4M	\$499.3K	\$99.4K
State Judicial Fund	\$43.7M	\$43.4M	\$26.4M	\$20.0M	\$21.1M	\$24.4M
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$63.0M</b>	<b>\$65.8M</b>	<b>\$67.3M</b>	<b>\$67.0M</b>	<b>\$73.8M</b>	<b>\$81.0M</b>
FTE	582	591	591	579	583	619



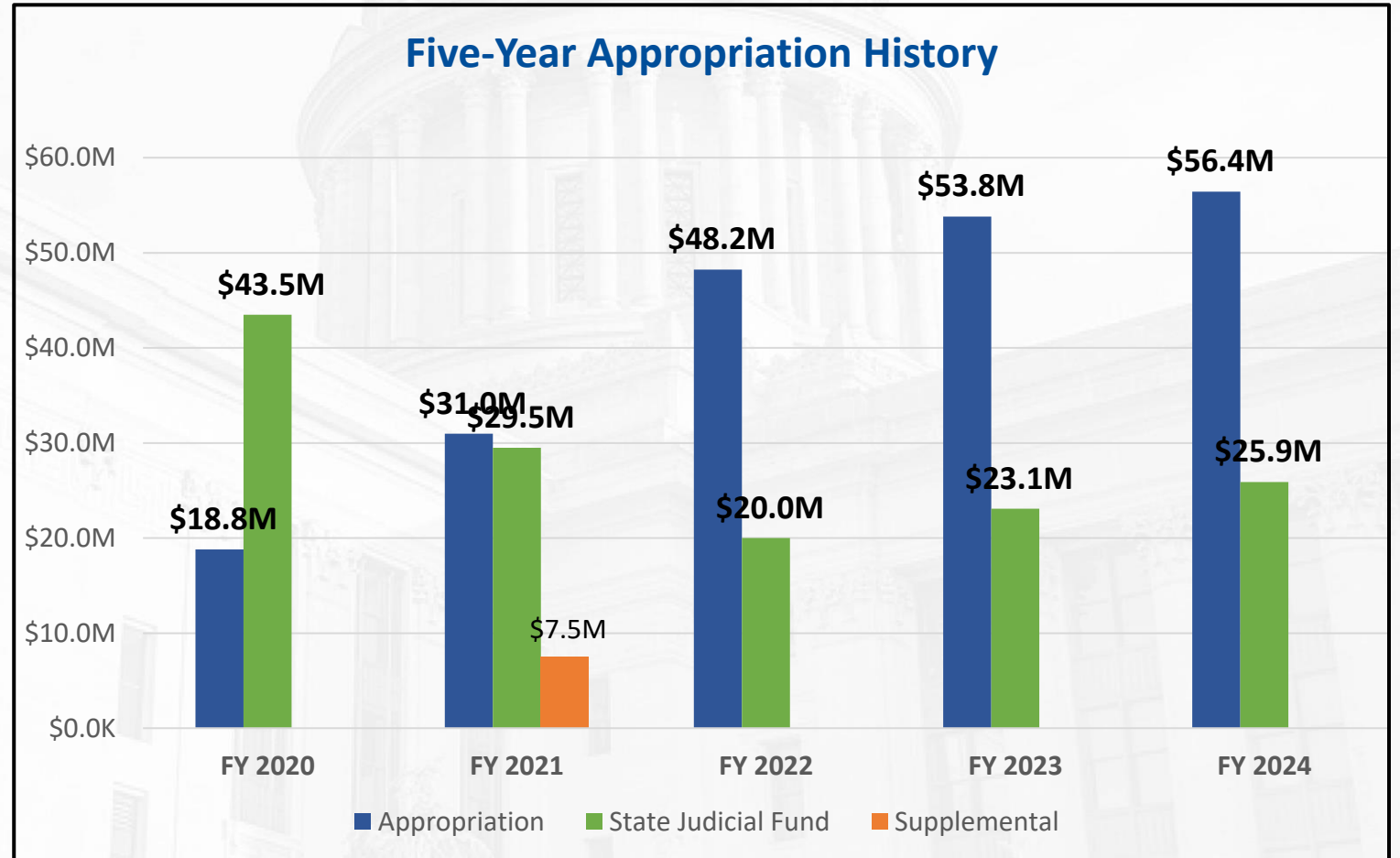


# FY 2024 Budgeted Full Time Equivalents (FTE)

	FY 2024 Budgeted FTE
<b>Total FTE</b>	619
<b>Supervisor FTE</b>	246
<b>Supervisors to Total FTE Ratio (%)</b>	40%

# Appropriation History

Fiscal Year	Legislated Appropriation (\$) (Includes supplementals and SRF/ARPA.)
FY 2020	62,288,829
FY 2021	67,980,361
FY 2022	68,241,076
FY 2023	76,911,733
FY 2024	82,320,695



\*Includes Supplemental and Statewide Recovery Fund (ARPA) appropriations.



# Financial Resource Analysis

Carryover	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Total appropriated carryover amount expended (\$)	\$0	\$0	\$126,822	\$2,696,486

Historical Cash Balances	FY 2020	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY 2023
Year End Revolving Fund Cash Balances <i>(All Revolving Funds)</i>	\$1,024,362	\$2,249,422	\$4,886,920	\$10,663,343

Class Fund # <i>(Unrestricted only)</i>	Class Fund Name <i>(Unrestricted only)</i>	Current cash balance (\$)
#		\$
#		\$
#		\$
#		\$
#		\$
#		\$
	<b>Total Current Unrestricted Fund Cash balance:</b>	\$

Fiscal Year	Agency's plan to deploy unrestricted cash (including amounts):
FY 2024	
FY 2025	
FY 2026	



*Unrestricted funds are those that are not limited by state or federal law, rule, regulation, other legally binding method, or donor restriction.*

# FY 2022 Incremental Appropriation Review

<i>Purpose of appropriation increase / decrease</i>	<i>Amount of increase or decrease (\$)</i>	<i>Included in FY24 appropriation? (Yes/No)</i>	<i>If yes, included in appropriation for same purpose? (Yes/No)</i>	<i>If not included for same purpose, please explain.</i>
<b>FY 2022</b>				
No adjustments	\$			
	\$			
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	\$			
<b>Total adjustment</b>	<b>\$</b>			



*\*Do not include SRF / ARPA appropriation increases.*

# FY 2023 Incremental Appropriation Review

<i>Purpose of appropriation increase / decrease</i>	<i>Amount of increase or decrease (\$)</i>	<i>Included in FY24 appropriation? (Yes/No)</i>	<i>If yes, included in appropriation for same purpose? (Yes/No)</i>	<i>If not included for same purpose, please explain.</i>
<b>FY 2023</b>				
No adjustments	\$			
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<b>Total adjustment</b>	\$			



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# FY 2024 Incremental Appropriation Review

<i>Purpose of appropriation increase / decrease</i>	<i>Amount of increase or decrease (\$)</i>	<i>Does this need to be included in your FY 2025 appropriation? (Yes/No)</i>	<i>If yes, included in appropriation for same purpose? (Yes/No)</i>	<i>If not included for same purpose, please explain.</i>
<b>FY 2024</b>				
No adjustments	\$			
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	\$			
<b>Total adjustment</b>	\$			



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# Budget & Supplemental Request Summary

Request Name		FY 2025 Appropriated Request Amount (\$) {or FY 2024 for Supplementals}	Type of Request: Operating, One-time, or Supplemental
1	Judicial Salary Increase	\$7,627,967	Operating
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# (1) Budget Request

<b>Name of Request: Judicial Salary Increase</b>	
Type: Operating	Amount: \$7,627,967
Describe why these funds are needed. The Board on Judicial Compensation has recommended a judicial salary increase.	

